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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of	)	
Lars ADOLFSSON	)	Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Application No.: Unassigned	)	Examiner: Unassigned
Filed: September 14, 2000	)	
For: Arrangement and Method Relating to	)	
Routing in a Network	)	

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Before examination, please amend this application as follows.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Page 1, line 1, delete "E29 P86US AB/ej 00-08-30";

line 2, delete "Title:";

line 6, delete "TECHNICAL FIELD" and insert therefor --BACKGROUND--;

and

line 19, delete "STATE OF THE ART".

Page 4, line 1, delete "OF THE INVENTION".

Page 10, line 21 delete " OF THE INVENTION".

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Page 18, line 1, delete "CLAIMS" and insert therefor --WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:--.

Please delete claims 1-23, and insert the following new claims 24-46

--24. An arrangement for monitoring and managing routing in a communications network comprising:

at least one routing domain having at least one routing area that includes a plurality of network nodes that intercommunicate using transmission links;

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